



The Wildcat Monthly



APRIL 2016

This publication highlights the monthly activities and events that take place on campus and across the state.



PRINCIPAL MATTERS

By: Ms. P (Debi Phillips)



Can you believe it? The 2015-16 school year is heading into the final stretch! I thought it would be a good time to share a strategic plan update with you. As you know KSB's plan includes five major areas of focus: student achievement, communication, technology, safety, and outreach.

For two years in a row, the teachers have been working hard to emphasis words, words, words! The National Reading Panel cites vocabulary development as the most critical strategy for teaching reading comprehension. Research found that by first grade a student should have acquired a working knowledge of over 5000 words!

Every teacher at KSB has identified critical vocabulary from their content and are tracking our students' success toward mastery of vital words for understanding the curriculum. Vocabulary development is a campaign at our school. It is a daily expectation for every classroom to provide planned vocabulary instruction. The research is clear: it is important to teach vocabulary as there is a deep connection between a student's vocabulary and success in school.

Ask your child about these important words they are learning in their classrooms. Let them know how important it is to develop a rich and robust understanding of words—the key to unlocking language! Help us strengthen your child's vocabulary and join us by creating an environment at school and at home where students are taught the power of words!

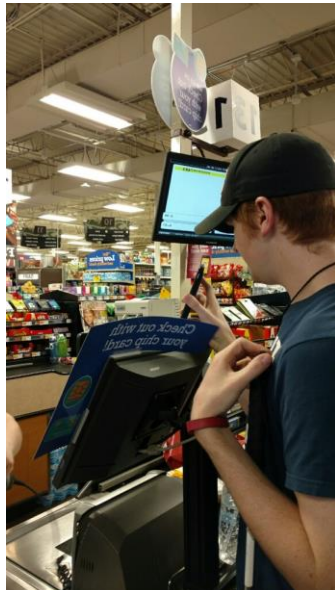
Have a great spring break!!!!

WELCOME TO LOW VISION

By: Connie Hill, Certified Low Vision Therapist (CLVT)



The students are using several apps to function in the community. Some of the apps they are using are the following: Visor, Color Me, Be My Eyes and Wallet.



The Wallet app is used to store rewards cards and coupons. Jacob Hack is shown using the app at Kroger while grocery shopping.

Low Vision Clinics

During the school year, KSB has hosted six low vision clinics in various regions. The March clinic was held in Georgetown. Below, Dr. Mejia is seen with a student trying on the glasses measured for a prescription. The student wanted Dr. Mejia to try to see through his prescription that she had prescribed.



Transition Dorm Cooking Program

Transition dorm students have improved in their cooking skills! Some of the students have tried their hand at using a griddle to make grilled cheese sandwiches and other are serving hot foods to the table using oven mitts.



PSSO NEWS

By: Lyndon Spiegel mire, Parent

Come join us! We welcome you to the next PSSO meeting on April 12 at 1:30 PM. We will meet in the classroom lobby. We would love your help with fundraising, ideas and suggestions for fun activities for the benefit of all students. We are reaching out to fellow parents to join our PSSO group. Let us know if you have ideas for our group. We would love to hear from you even if you can't attend our meetings, please let us know your ideas.

Teacher Appreciation Day is Wed, May 4. There will be breakfast for the teachers and we are in need of donations of brunch items. Suggestions include orange juice, milk, fruit, pastries, donuts, bagels, cream cheese, and breakfast



casseroles. If you know of a business or have any connection to anyone who would like to donate, please share this information! Please let us know what you can donate so we can make sure everything is provided that morning to show appreciation to our teachers. We need everything the morning of the breakfast by 7 A.M. We also still need small amount gift cards and gifts to use as prizes for the teachers. We don't often say, "Thanks" and this is just one small way we can show how appreciative we are of the people who do so much for our children!

We always collect Box Tops For Education and Tyson Support Your School labels.

PSSO registration is always open. If you have any questions, please call me at 330-347-8133 or email lyndonspigelmire@gmail.com.

SPRING INTO BRAILLE – OFFERED BY HADLEY – BEGINS APRIL 1

Read 100 or more braille pages to be entered into a prize drawing. The program runs April 1 – May 31 and is open to all students who read braille by touch or by sight. Five students will win a \$50 gift certificate to National Braille Press. All participants will receive a Certificate of Participation. Register today at www.hadley.edu/springintobraille.

KENNY JONES HONORED FOR ACHIEVEMENT

Kenny Jones, outreach consultant, has taught for more than 30 years at KSB, providing services to blind and visually-impaired students at the school and statewide. He spent ten years in the classroom before joining the outreach program. He has also served on the SBDM council and as wrestling coach, track and field coach and athletic director.

Jones received a lifetime achievement award from the Metro Disability Coalition at its Breaking Barriers Spotlight Awards ceremony March 22 in Louisville. The Metro Disability Coalition is a non-profit organization of individuals and agencies in the Louisville metro area that is dedicated to advocating for a better quality of life for people with disabilities. The Breaking Barriers Spotlight Awards recognizes people for their hard work despite their disabilities.

Jones also received the STAER Award from the Kentucky Chapter Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (KAER) at the conference banquet March 23 in Berea. This award is given to a noteworthy individual, company, or program, for the "little things" that make a difference in the lives of individuals with visual impairments, and other professionals in the field of vision.



STATEWIDE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS!

UNITING THE ALBINISM COMMUNITY – LONDON - MARCH 10



Uniting the Albinism Community was an event held in London on March 10. Families from the South East South Central and Central Kentucky Educational Cooperatives attended the event. The families were treated to a special guest speaker, Burt Boyer. He shared information about the National Organization for Albinism and Hypopigmentation (NOAH) and their upcoming national family conference. Boyer stated that the key to success is to give children opportunities, experiences and support. He urged parents to give their children opportunities to be participants, not observers.

Following presentations, the families enjoyed networking and have plans to attend the Bluegrass Blondies NOAH Bowl-a-Rama on April 16 at Southland Bowling Lanes in Lexington.

<http://noah.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=1151704&lis=0&kntae1151704=76605A3372C64E2E81FFF0F4BF103CAA&team=6639944>

ACCESSIBLE EASTER EGG HUNT – ASHLAND – MARCH 28

The second Annual Accessible Easter Event and Egg Hunt was held in the KEDC Special Education Cooperative region on March 19. KSB Outreach Consultant Pamela Howard organized the event with the help of many colleagues and friends. Not only did this day provide wonderful opportunities for 25 families from across the region, but also served as an avenue of public awareness in the community.

KSB Outreach partnered with KEDC, KYOVA Mall, Boyd County HS Beta Club, CALEBS and several other organizations and friends to provide this all inclusive opportunity for children who are differently abled. Participants enjoyed hands-on crafts, a petting zoo, homemade food, inflatables, an awesome accessible egg hunt and hugs from the infamous Easter Bunny! A big thanks to all who made this event possible with donations of monetary value and time, especially the KSB Charitable Foundation!



http://www.dailyindependent.com/news/eggstraordinary-day-accessible-easter-egg-hunt-a-success/article_181f3302-ef21-11e5-8ad0-c3dc4a749e8c.html



VISUALLY IMPAIRED PRESCHOOL SERVICES (VIPS) RECEIVES CERTIFICATION

Press Release

Visually Impaired Preschool Services (VIPS), a Louisville-based nonprofit organization that provides early intervention and education services to young children who are blind and visually impaired, has received accreditation from AdvancED, the largest community of education professionals in the world. The AdvancED Standards for Quality Early Learning Schools support learning, growth and development of young children in a culture of continuous improvement that engages leaders, staff and parents. VIPS-Louisville operates Kids Town Preschool, the state's only early childhood school program specifically designed for young children affected by blindness and visual impairments. Kids Town Preschool includes a full-time preschool program for children ages two to five years, as well as a Pre-Kindergarten.



This prestigious accreditation comes after an intensive process, including a self-assessment of the program by VIPS team members and an external review by AdvancED to determine the school's

strengths and opportunities for improvement. AdvancED has accredited public and private schools and school systems, as well as colleges and universities, across Kentucky and the United States.

For 31 years, Visually Impaired Preschool Services has empowered families by providing educational excellence to young children with visual impairments in order to build a strong foundation for reaching their highest potential.

PASSPORT TO MY FUTURE TRANSITION FAIR – MARCH 11/12

By: Verna Howell, Outreach Consultant

Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative (KVEC) received a \$49,000 grant to be used to assist students with transition skills. Independence Place helped to secure Paralympic Goalball team and Fawn Washington, a double amputee, to present their stories. Fawn was an inspiration to all. All the students enjoyed learning about goalball. Area businesses, colleges and universities with specific programs and exhibitors for all areas of need were available for the students to meet and make that important first contact. Those two events were a great success.

Connie Hill, CLVT assisted students with understanding the needs of independent living. She made some great contact with students.

The two-day event served almost 300 students from 15 school districts. Door prizes were given to some lucky winners including an iPad Pro.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

UNSUNG HERO AWARD GOES TO TREVOR GRAVIL

By: Kyrstin Johnson, Teacher



KSB Senior, Trevor Gravit was honored on Thurs, March 24, with an “Unsung Hero” award, from the Louisville Rotary Club. This award is given to one senior from each public, private, and Catholic high school in the Louisville area for their dedication to school and community volunteer work. Trevor received a cash gift and a certificate recognizing his “Service above Self” achievements.

Trevor is an exemplary leader which is demonstrated by the work that he puts into all service projects that he undertakes. He has participated in a mission trip to Costa Rica through his church, led the canned food drive and serves as a math tutor for younger students at KSB. He truly loves helping others and his passion for service is inspiring. *Congratulations Trevor!*



THE BIG DADDY POP-TART BOOSTER BY JACOB HACK

By: Kyrstin Johnson, Teacher



Jacob Hack (grade ten) will have a ten-minute play, which he wrote last spring, produced in the 2016 New Voices Young Playwrights Festival. The performances will be held at **Actors Theatre of Louisville on April 25 and 26**. Please call the Actors Theatre box offices to obtain tickets.

Below is the link to the official press release from Actors Theatre.

<http://actorstheatre.org/2016/02/11/actors-theatre-of-louisville-to-premiere-work-from-local-high-school-students/>

PENN STATION ATHLETE OF THE MONTH – TREVOR GRAVIL

Every month Penn Station and WLKY selects an outstanding senior student athlete from a Kentuckiana high school who has demonstrated excellence in athletics and good citizenship.

Recognizing our next generation of leaders... Because life is their next playing field and they deserve all the help they can get!

Congratulations to senior Trevor Gravit on being named the Penn Station Athlete of the Month for April!! Tune in to WLKY 32 Louisville on Tues, April 5 at 5:30PM to see Trevor's interview with Fred Cowgill, WLKY Sports Director.



AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE (APH) INSIGHTS ART COMPETITION ENTRY

By: Tabathia Roark, Teacher



Sophomore Willie Barksdale has entered his painting entitled “Alicia” into the APH InSights 2016 art competition.

InSights is an art competition and exhibition for visually impaired and blind artists of all ages. The exhibition will be shown in Louisville, Kentucky and also worldwide on APH’s website. Works in the exhibition will be selected from entries submitted for jurying. Award winners will be selected from the juried exhibition.

Good luck Willie! This is a fabulous piece of artwork!

JAZZ AND PIZZA – FEBRUARY 26

By: Todd Johnson, Teacher



With classics such as the Family Guy theme and Don’t Fear the Reaper playing, students and staff were treated to the brilliantly, talented musicians from the South Oldham High School’s Jazz Ensemble. Bob Parker, music instructor and the Jazz ensemble played their hour long set for an audience that included elementary, middle, and high school students with KSB Junior Justin Hedges serving as the emcee. As an added bonus, members of the KSB percussion group were incorporated into some of the Jazz ensemble’s performances. Students and teachers delighted in listening to the fantastic music being performed by the Jazz Ensemble.

After the performance, the South Oldham and KSB high school students enjoyed pizza and refreshments. The students from the two schools bonded over shared interests such as music, college plans, video games, and of course their amazing teachers! At the end of the day, both groups of students were able to take away from the experience an opportunity to meet and talk with peers.



ELEMENTARY – THE MONTH OF MARCH

March was exciting and full of learning. The works of Dr. Seuss, fractions, limericks, types of figurative language, layers of the Earth, historical events in non-fiction and historical fiction text, sorting shapes by attributes, and exercising to keep us healthy were just some of the topics covered.

Elementary visited the North Oldham Fire Department where they learned about fire safety and the important jobs that the firefighters perform.

They were treated to an Easter egg hunt and pizza lunch by the Jeffersontown Lions Club. It was an awesome day and we are so grateful to have such wonderful members of the community support us!

The second annual Elementary Science Fair was held on Thurs March 31. The students were so proud of the work they did and displayed amazing talents in working through the scientific method and thinking like scientist! Thank you to our wonderful families for their support in making this happen, and our amazing dorm staff who do a fantastic job as the *parents* for our kids during the week!



TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT BY REGIONAL MOBILITY COUNCIL – APRIL 14

By: Kelly Stewart, O&M Specialist



Orientation and Mobility has some exciting things to share. High School students, Jacob Hack, Justin Hedges and Trevor Grail will be participating and presenting in the Regional Mobility Council's 11th annual Transportation Summit on April 14. The summit focus is "Connecting Our Communities: Overcoming Obstacles to Mobility". They have been working with Go Pro's (action camera's) and traveling around town. The goal is to raise awareness about the need for and benefit from communities that are accessible to all users and modes of travel, and instill a desire in attendees to impact change and to provide them examples for implementation.

KSB EASTER EGG HUNT – MARCH 27

by: Ashley Swafford

Below: Shawn Smith and Allie Irvin working as a team to find Easter eggs



Below: Hayden Ashley and Nick Runyon hunting for Easter eggs.



Below: Willie Barksdale helping his friend Qualik Ford look for Easter eggs



Below: Eric Echeverria searches for Easter Eggs!



KENTUCKY MUSEUM OF ARTS AND CRAFTS COLLABORATION

By: Tabathia Roark, Teacher



KSB has the honor of participating in a partnership with Kentucky Museum of Arts and Crafts (KMAC) where Arts and Humanities classes, including students in the short term program, participate in art instruction on Wednesdays throughout the year. Janet Britt, our last artist for this school year, has been working with the students on wooden animals. These pieces are extraordinary!



CREATIVE DIVERSITY STUDIO & GALLERY HOSTS "SIDE BY SIDE" EXHIBITION

By: Tabathia Roark, Teacher

Creative Diversity Studio & Gallery, located at 107 S. Ewing Avenue, will host Side by Side: An exhibition of Artistic Collaborations from The Louisville Side by Side Program. The exhibition includes collaborative artwork by young, student artists, with disabilities, and local artists. The artist reception is open to the public on Wed, April 20 from 6:30-8:30 PM, at Creative Diversity Studio & Gallery.





This Side by Side exhibition is made up of fifteen groups of three pieces of art – one made by the student, one made by the artist, and one collaborative piece. Each design represents a lively interaction between youthful spirit, and the experience of professional working artists. Side by Side is an annual program offered by VSA Kentucky in partnership with KSB, and Creative Diversity Studio & Gallery.

Before they partnered with a professional artist, the student artists took a series of art classes, at the KSB, taught by VSA Teaching Artist Michelle Amos, whose work is also represented in the show. Art classes are provided free of charge as is the mentoring session with the regional artist, making this program an exceptional opportunity for participants.

About VSA

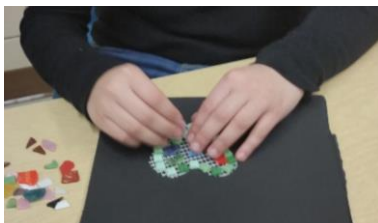
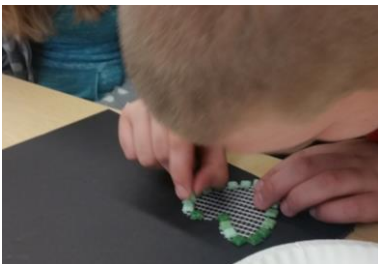
The mission of VSA Kentucky is a statewide, nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting arts education, and creative expression for all, with an emphasis on persons with disabilities. The focus is on providing opportunities for individuals with disabilities to learn through, participate in, and enjoy the arts. For more information, visit the website at www.vsartsy.org. VSA Kentucky is an affiliate of VSA, a program of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

About Creative Diversity Studio & Gallery

Creative Diversity is a nonprofit organization committed to the advancement of artists with disabilities and to the inclusion of those artists in the cultural community. For more information, visit the website at www.Creativediversitystudio.org

MOSAIC ART!

By: Tabathia Roark, Teacher



Students in Ms. Roark's CBI High School Arts and Humanities class have been learning about the art form of mosaics. They worked in teams to create hearts of different sizes using a product called QuikStik Mosaic Mesh. All of the hearts they created will then be applied to a bigger surface. Once that step is done, the students will then help with the process of grouting to achieve the final product. We are very excited to do our "reveal" of the finished piece before the end of the school year. *Stay tuned!*



READER'S THEATRE – MARCH 28

High school students recently had the opportunity to participate in a playwriting workshop funded by VSA and The Kennedy Center and provided by Actors Theatre of Louisville. The plays the students wrote were submitted to both a local and national contest for young playwrights. KSB is partnering with actors from Actors Theatre's Humana Festival to present a Reader's Theatre performance of the plays students have written.

Sharing and experiencing one another's plays allows students to build greater community amongst each other, get experience pertaining to theatre and performances and also allows them to learn and grow as individuals and writers.



UPCOMING CAMPUS EVENTS

SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS – DEADLINE APRIL 15

KSB is excited to offer two Summer Enrichment Programs and the Summer Work Program June 13 - 24. The programs will be open to students currently enrolled in grades K-11 (graduating seniors excluded). Openings will be filled on a first-come basis. First priority will be given to non-KSB students. In order to apply for the program, complete the attached application form or go to the KSB website at www.ksb.kyschools.us under "summer programs" for an application. **A copy of the student's current IEP and most recent eye report must accompany the application (does not apply to full-time enrolled KSB students).** Applications submitted without an IEP or eye report will be considered incomplete.

The application deadline is April 15.

WORK PROGRAM at KENTUCKY KINGDOM! (AGE 16 and UP)

Work Program students must be 16 years old and a consumer of the Office for the Blind. Students will be interviewed via phone or face-to-face and must submit 2 letters of recommendation and a resume. Based on the interview, recommendations, and resume, students will be "hired". Students will be paid minimum wage through the Office for the Blind. Sign up early only 15 slots available.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM(GRADES 6-11)

The 2016 MS/HS Summer Enrichment theme is “A Trip through Time: Decades in The United States”. Join us on a “trip” through time! Student will get to work together with friends, both old and new, as you explore the culture, history, clothing, food, arts, and leisure activities of the United States throughout different decades. We hope to get the opportunity to time-travel with YOU!

ELEMENTARY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (GRADES K-5)

The 2016 Elementary Summer Enrichment Program theme is “Go for the Gold” Elementary students will be learning about the 2016 Summer Olympics. Students will participate in daily living, music, and art activities. They will learn about the Country of Brazil and their culture. We will take a Sport-Related Field Trip each week. Students will be able to touch, see, hear, smell, and taste what the Olympics is all about.

There are three options for the Elementary Program: Week 1, Week 2, or Week 1&2

The summer programs will be implemented on the KSB campus. Transportation is not provided to and from home by KSB, but will be provided for all field trips and activities. The programs, including room accommodations and meals, are provided without cost. However, a **non-refundable** activity fee of \$100 is required. *If accepted into the summer program parents will be asked to complete additional paperwork before your student can attend.*

If you have questions please contact Allison Chandler at 502-897-1583, ext. 7204 or email allison.chandler@ksb.kyschools.us

MUSIC DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCES – THURS. APRIL 21

On Thurs, April 21 at 6:30 PM, the KSB music department will be presenting performances by The KSB Rockers, KSB Wildcat Percussion Ensemble, The KSB Friday Choir, and The KSB Vocal Trio. These groups will be under the direction of Tabathia Roark and Meg Samples. Student attire for this event is dress clothes and students will need to report to the music building no later than 5:45 PM for warm ups.

Students performers are: Shawn Smith, Jolean O’Connell, CJ Phipps-Gibson, Mari Durrett, Michael Davis, Jaden Smalley, Mickie Foard, Heather Anthony, Danielle Hardiman, Madison Souders, Kaylee Colgate, Logan Armstrong, Logan Rovinski, Gabe Smith, Allie Johnson, and Zack Adams.

Dress rehearsal for both the Friday choir and the vocal trio will be during seventh period on Tues, April 19. Dress rehearsal for the percussion ensembles will be after school from 2:30-3:30 PM on Tues., April 19. Letters are being mailed out to parents of students involved in this concert.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Ms. Roark. We are looking forward to a great night of music!

PROM – APRIL 28 – 6:30 PM

Prom will be April 28. Anyone that attends KSB (center based or short term) in grades 9-12 may attend.

UPCOMING STATEWIDE EVENTS

CHILI SUPPER – LOUISVILLE EAST LIONS CLUB – APRIL 10 4:30 – 7:30 PM - \$5



The Louisville East Lions Club is sponsoring a chili supper at St. Leonard Catholic Church on Zorn Avenue in Louisville. The chili supper is Friday, April 10, 4:30-7:30PM. \$5 all you can eat chili, hot dogs, drinks, and dessert. Dine in or carry out!

SUMMER CAMPS

Camp Crescendo

Located in a beautiful valley in the hills of southern Bullitt County lies Camp Crescendo. The Kentucky Lions Youth Camp is for children between the ages of 6 through 15 who are blind/visually impaired or deaf/HH. This camp provides a week of traditional fun and camp activities and also provides an opportunity for children to share a week of fun with their peers to promote social growth, self-confidence and self-reliance. Activities range from swimming, kickball, talent shows, fishing, canoes and paddle boating, arts and crafts, and many more. The best part is Camp Crescendo is free to all campers!

For information or application, contact Holly Bean – Director at holly.bean407@topper.wku.edu or Adam Almon – Assistant Director at Adam.almon139@topper.wku.edu.

You may also receive information and applications by contacting Camp Crescendo toll free at 1-888-879-8884 or by visiting the Camp Crescendo website at www.lccky.org.

Highbrook Lodge

Located in Chardon, Ohio, Highbrook Lodge has been providing a summer camp experience for individuals with vision loss and blindness for over 85 years. There are several options for the summer camper and even a family camp geared towards the youngest campers and their immediate families. Families with a child ages 0 – 6 years with a vision loss are provided a relaxing, fun-filled weekend. For information on camps available and to request application packets call 216-791-8118 or email camp@clevelandsightcenter.org.

VISIONARY DAY – THURS. APRIL 28 – 9:30 AM -1:30 PM – PADUCAH

“Independent Living Skills”

What is it?

It is a day set aside to bring students with blindness/visual impairments, their families, teachers, and service providers together to gain new learning experience, network, and learn from each other. The day's events will include hands-on learning activities and collaboration with representatives from various



related organizations and agencies. Registration begins at 9AM. The day's events end at 1:30PM. Lunch is provided.

Who is invited?

Students with blindness/visual impairments, families, Teachers of the Blind/Visually Impaired or other school representatives, Orientation & Mobility Specialists, and other Related Service Providers are invited to attend. High school students, college students, teachers, or others who may be interested in a career working with students who are blind or visually impaired are also encouraged to participate.

PADUCAH CAMPUS OF MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY
KENTUCKY EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
4430 SUNSET AVENUE
PADUCAH, KY 42001

Contact: West KY Outreach Consultant, Robbin Cox (270) 994-3395 or robbin.cox@ksb.kyschools.us

EYE CAN DERBY – FRI. APRIL 29 – 9-11 AM – ALVATON

Expanded Core Curriculum Events with a KY Derby Theme!

Experiences with Leader Dog! Cooking with Connie Hill- Low Vision Specialist at KSB

Partnering with VIPS, Charitable Foundation of KSB, Office for the Blind, Brian Goemmer with Lab Computers



Registration forms due by April 12! See flyer at the end of the newsletter.

PHIL MOORE PARK
7101 SCOTTSVILLE RD.
ALVATON, KY 42122

Contact: GRREC Outreach Consultant, Wendy Strode (270) 784-3130 wendy.strode-ross@ksb.kyschools.us

KSB CHARITABLE FOUNDATION BENEFIT – JUNE 17

An Exceptional Affair – A Night in the Tropics
Plan to join us for a night of dinner, wine and music on Fri, June 17 to benefit the Kentucky School for the Blind Charitable Foundation!



GATEWAYS – JUNE 12-14 – KSB CAMPUS

Tuesday, July 12

Cortical/Cerebral Visual Impairment: Assessments, Intervention Strategies, Literacy Supports, Teaming Tips and American Printing House for the Blind (APH) products, including the new CVI website.

PRESENTERS: Susan Sullivan, CVI Project Leader, APH
Teri Ritchie, Education Consultant, KSB

Wednesday, July 13 & Thursday, July 14

Autism Spectrum Disorders and Visual Impairment: What are they? What do we know? What do we do?

PRESENTER: Terese Pawletko, Ph.D.
Licensed Psychologist/Certified School Psychologist/
Teacher of the Visually Impaired, Private Practice NH & Maine

To register, visit <http://www.ksb.kyschools.us/Content/gateways>

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KSB CALENDAR:

April, 2016

April 1-8	Fri-Fri	No School for KSB (Spring Break)
11	Monday	Classes Resume
15/16	Friday/Sat	Varsity Swimming and Forensics Meet: Columbus, OH
22	Friday	Low Vision Clinic, KSB
28	Thursday	WKEC Visionary Day, Mayfield
		KSB Junior/Senior Prom
29-May 1	Fri-Sun	Varsity Swimming and Forensics Meet

May, 2016

2-5	Mon-Thurs	End of Course Testing
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3	Tuesday	SBDM Meeting, 4 PM
6	Friday	No School KSB (Derby)
10	Tuesday	KSB Family Dinner and Presentation, 6-8 PM
9-13	Mon-Fri	KPREP Testing
13	Friday	Low Vision Clinic, KSB
		KSB Founder's Day Celebration, 174 th Birthday
16-25	Mon-Wed	Finals
25	Wednesday	KSB Graduation, 6:30 PM
26	Thursday	Field Day and Last Day of School for Students 4 th Quarter Grading Period Ends
27	Friday	No School for Students (Closing for Teachers)

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We're on Facebook! We would love for you to like our page!
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KSB Mission Statement:

“The mission of the Kentucky School for the Blind is to provide comprehensive educational services to all Kentucky students who are blind and visually impaired, birth to 21.”

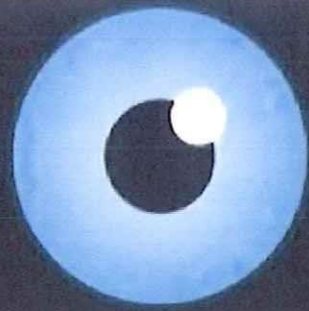
KSB Vision Statement:

“Empowering Students who are Blind and Visually Impaired to Command their Future”

KSB Beliefs

We believe students who are blind and visually impaired...

- ... can become college and career ready through world class instruction and services
- ... have unique needs that must be met
- ... have a right to knowledge, tools and relationships necessary to build successful lives
- ... deserve to be taught in a safe and caring environment by competent professionals
- ... are meaningful contributors to society



EYE

Can Derby!

Friday, April 29
9:00-11:00 AM Central Time
Preschool – 12th Grade



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FOR THE BLIND

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SAVE THE DATE GATEWAYS 2016

July 12-14, 2016

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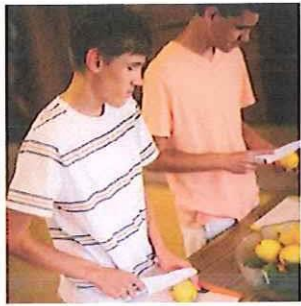
Location: **Kentucky School for the Blind**

Registration Information Available Soon

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Students K-12

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